

Lecture 19

Review Session Friday Nov 17 4-6

HW3 due Tues by noon (12 hr extension!)

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Q2: ^{show} (i) \rightarrow (ii) \vdash (ii) \rightarrow (i)

To show (i) \rightarrow (ii)

[show if \exists an onto
f.w $g: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow S$ then
 \exists 1-1 f.w $f: S \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$]

3 steps

[① Define f

[② show your f is well-defined

($\forall s \in S, \exists! f(s) = \text{one element in } \mathbb{N}$)

[③ show f is 1-1

Recap from Last week

- ① $D = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M(\langle M \rangle) \text{ does not accept} \}$ is not r.e. ← Diagonal Language

Proof by diagonalization

- ② $\bar{D} = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M(\langle M \rangle) \text{ halts and accepts} \}$
is r.e. but not recursive

$\forall L \in \Sigma^*$
(If L recursive
then \bar{L} also
recursive)

- ③ $A_{TM} = \{ \langle M, w \rangle \mid M \text{ accepts } w \}$
is r.e. but not recursive

$$A_{TM} = \{ \langle M, w \rangle \mid M \text{ accepts } w \}$$

- We saw that A_{TM} is r.e./recognizable.

D not r.e.
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 A_{TM} is r.e., not recursive

PF that A_{TM} is not decidable:

Assume for sake of contradiction there is a decider N for A_{TM} .

We will use M to construct a decider N' for \bar{D} :

N' :

On input $\langle M \rangle$:

check if input is a legal encoding of a TM. If not reject

otherwise Run N on $\langle M, \langle M \rangle \rangle$

IF N accepts \rightarrow accept

IF N rejects \rightarrow reject

Since N always halts, N' always halts.

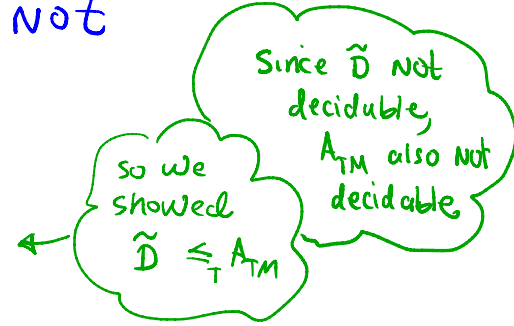
Also N' accepts \bar{D} . Contradiction since \bar{D} is not decidable

$\therefore A_{TM}$ is not decidable

TM Reductions

The previous proof showing that A_{TM} is not decidable is a reduction; we showed:

a decider for $A_{TM} \Rightarrow$ a decider for \tilde{D}



Defn Language A is TM-reducible to Language B , written $A \leq_T B$ if a decider for $B \Rightarrow$ a decider for A

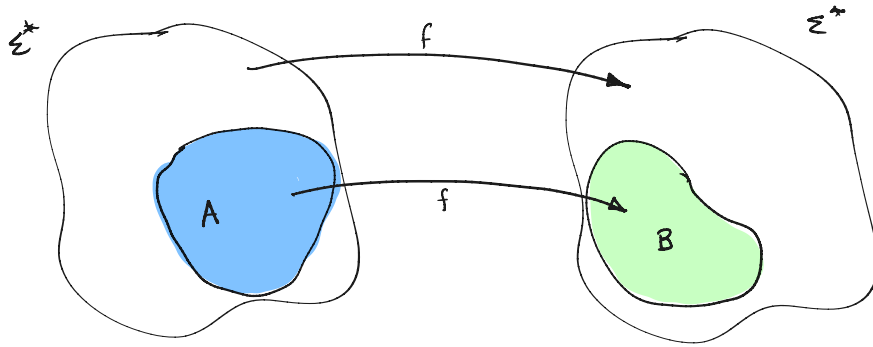
Important If $A \leq_T B$ and B is decidable then A is decidable
If $A \leq_T B$ and A is not decidable, then B is not decidable (contrapositive)

More on Reducibilities

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if there exists a computable function $f: \Sigma^* \rightarrow \Sigma^*$ such that

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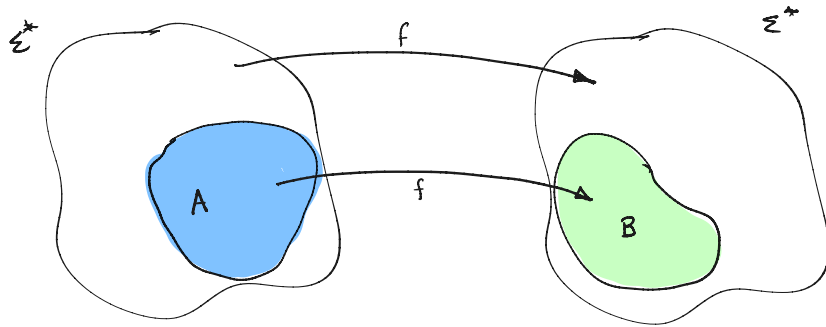
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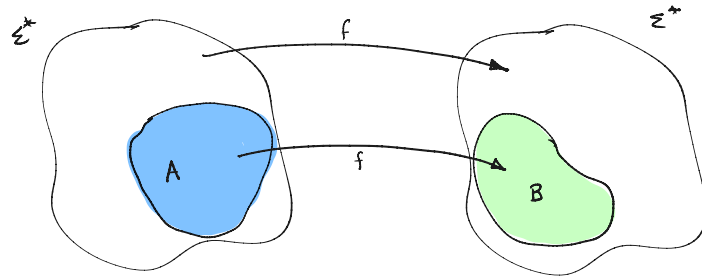
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Lemma If $A \leq_m B$ then $A \leq_T B$

(mapping reductions are special case of Turing Reductions)

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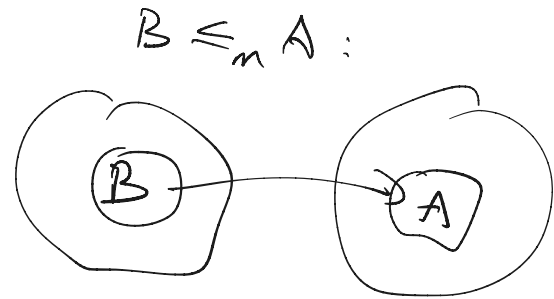
Lemma Let $A \leq_m B$. Then:

- ① B decidable $\implies A$ decidable (or equivalently, A undecidable $\implies B$ undecidable)
- ② B recognizable/r.e. $\implies A$ recognizable/r.e.

Lemma If we have $A \leq_m B$, then we also have $\bar{A} \leq_m \bar{B}$

Q: To show A is not decidable

Do I want to show



(1) $A \leq_m B$ for some B that is undecidable
or (2) $B \leq_m A$ for some B that is undecidable

← correct answer

$B \leq_m A$ means

(2): If A is decidable then B is decidable
so B not dec \rightarrow A not dec. \checkmark

Example : $\text{HALT} = \{ \langle M, x \rangle \mid M \text{ halts on input } x \}$

Lemma 1 HALT is r.e. (exercise)

Lemma 2 Halt is not recursive/decidable

Proof of Lemma 2 We will show $A_{\text{TM}} \leq_T \text{HALT}$

Then since A_{TM} not decidable, this implies HALT not decidable.

Let N be an (alleged) decider for HALT. We will use N to create a decider, N' for A_{TM}

N' :

- on input $\langle M, x \rangle$:
- check if input is legal encoding of a TM M , followed by x (halt if not)
- Run N on input $\langle M, x \rangle$
- IF N accepts, simulate M on x . Accept $\langle M, x \rangle$ if simulation accepts; otherwise reject $\langle M, x \rangle$
- IF N rejects, halt and reject

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Proof of correctness: First, if N is a decider for HALT then N' will halt on all inputs.

Now for correctness: First if M halts on x , then N' just simulates M on x and does the same thing, so N' will also halt + accept $\langle M, x \rangle$
otherwise if M does not halt on x , then N will not accept so N' will also halt and reject.

Note:

This is a Turing reduction but

not a mapping reduction

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Lemma 2 HALT is not recursive

Lemma 3 $\overline{\text{HALT}}$ is not r.e.

If HALT , $\overline{\text{HALT}}$ both r.e., then HALT would be decidable (By closure property). \therefore By Lemma 2, $\overline{\text{HALT}}$ NOT r.e.

Closure Prop:

(If L and \overline{L} are both r.e.,
then they are both recursive.)

$\overline{\text{HALT}} = \{ \langle M, x \rangle \mid M \text{ does not halt on input } x \}$

Example: Nonempty = $\{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ accepts at least one string} \}$
ie. $\mathcal{R}(M)$ is not empty

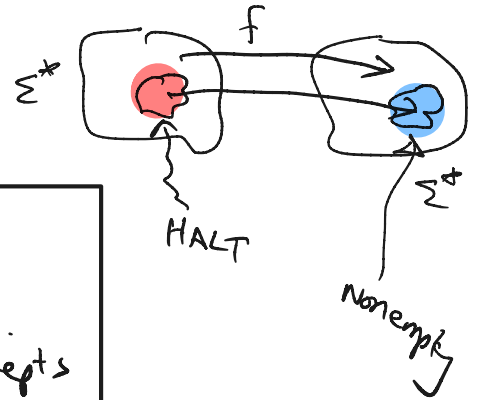
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Assume for sake of contradiction N is a decider for Nonempty.
We will use N to construct a decider, N' for HALT



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on input $\langle M, x \rangle$:

Let M' be a TM that on input w , M' ignores its input and simulates M on x .
If M halts on x then M' halts and accepts

Run N on $\langle M' \rangle$

If N accepts $\langle M' \rangle \rightarrow$ halt and accept
otherwise \rightarrow halt and reject

$f: \langle M, x \rangle \rightarrow \langle M' \rangle$

* M' depend on M & x .

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If M accepts x then M' halts and accepts

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$\left. \begin{array}{l} M' \text{ accepts all strings} \\ \text{if } M \text{ halts on } x \end{array} \right\}$
 $\left. \begin{array}{l} M' \text{ accepts NO strings} \\ \text{if } M \text{ does not halt on } x \end{array} \right\}$
 $\left. \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{L}(M') \text{ nonempty iff} \\ M \text{ accepts } x \end{array} \right\}$

Note: This is a mapping reduction showing $A_{TM} \leq_m \text{Nonempty}$:

$$f: \langle M, x \rangle \rightarrow \langle M'_{M,x} \rangle$$

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② Nonempty is not recursive/decidable.

③ $\overline{\text{Nonempty}} = \text{EMPTY} = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid \mathcal{R}(M) = \emptyset \}$

EMPTY is not r.e. since if it were r.e.,
then Nonempty would be recursive

(For any $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$, If L and \bar{L} are both r.e.,
then both are recursive)

L is recursive $\leftrightarrow \bar{L}$ is recursive

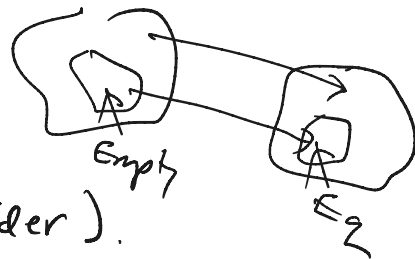
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- ① D is not r.e.
- ② \bar{D} is r.e. but not recursive
- ③ A_{TM} is r.e. but not recursive
- ④ Halt is r.e. but not recursive, $\overline{\text{Halt}}$ is not r.e.
- ⑤ Nonempty is r.e. but not recursive, Empty is not r.e.

Example: $EQ_{TM} = \{ \langle M_1, M_2 \rangle \mid M_1 \text{ and } M_2 \text{ are TMs and } L(M_1) = L(M_2) \}$

Claim EQ_{TM} is NOT recognizable (not r.e.)

Pf: We will show $EMPTY \leq EQ$



Let N be a TM for EQ_{TM} (not necessarily a decider).

We will construct a TM N' for $EMPTY$ as follows:

N' : on input $\langle M \rangle$:

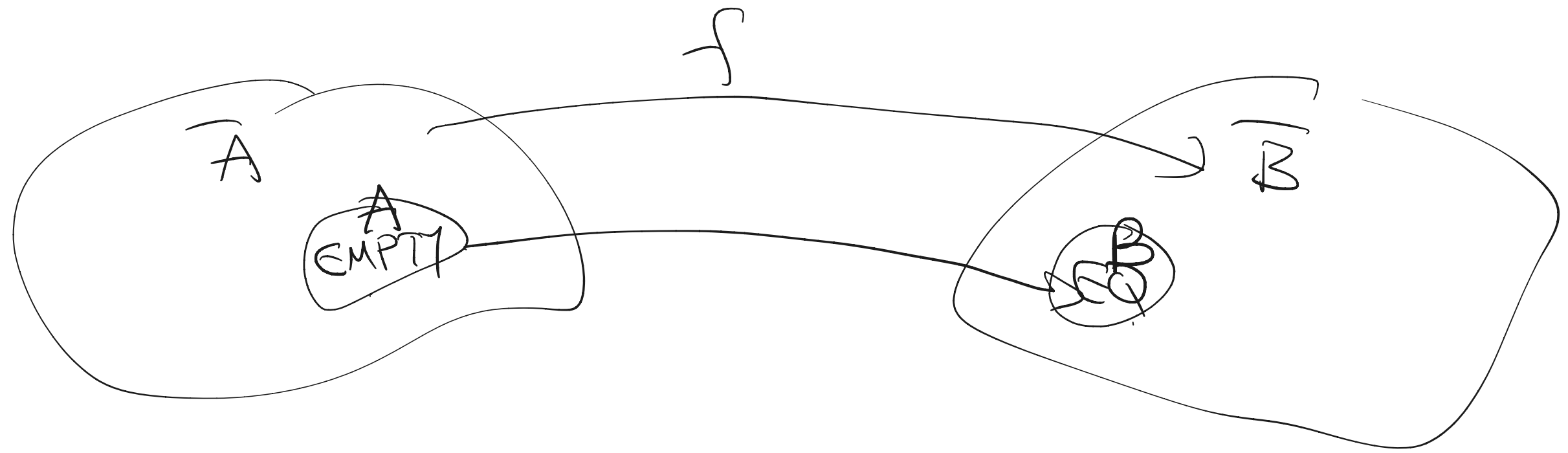
Run N on input $\langle M, M^\phi \rangle$ where M^ϕ is a TM that rejects all inputs.

If N halts and accepts $\langle M, M^\phi \rangle$ then accept $\langle M \rangle$

otherwise if N halts and rejects $\langle M, M^\phi \rangle$ then reject $\langle M \rangle$

$f: \langle M \rangle \longrightarrow \langle M, M^\phi \rangle$

f



If EQ is recursive \rightarrow empty is recursive
 If \underline{EQ} is r.e. \rightarrow empty is r.e.

given w : Is $w \in \text{empty}$?

compute $f(w)$

Then if EQ is recursive

Run TM for EQ on $f(w)$

accept iff TM for EQ accepts

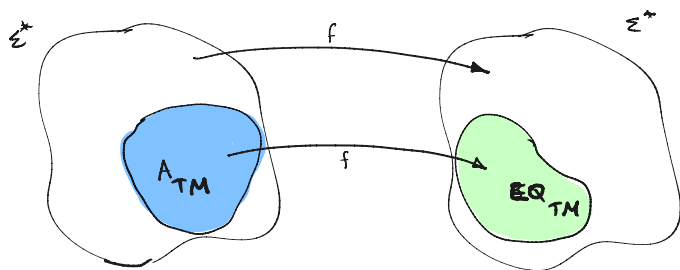


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What about $\overline{EQ_{TM}}$?

Claim $\overline{EQ_{TM}}$ is not r.e.

PE we will show: $A_{TM} \leq_m EQ_{TM}$



This is same as constructing a mapping reduction $\overline{A_{TM}} \leq_m \overline{EQ_{TM}}$
Therefore since $\overline{A_{TM}}$ is not r.e., $\overline{EQ_{TM}}$ is also not r.e.

$$A_{TM} = \{ \langle M, x \rangle \mid M \text{ accepts } x \}$$

$$\overline{A_{TM}} = \{ \langle M, x \rangle \mid \left. \begin{array}{l} M \\ \text{doesn't} \\ \text{accept } x \end{array} \right\}$$

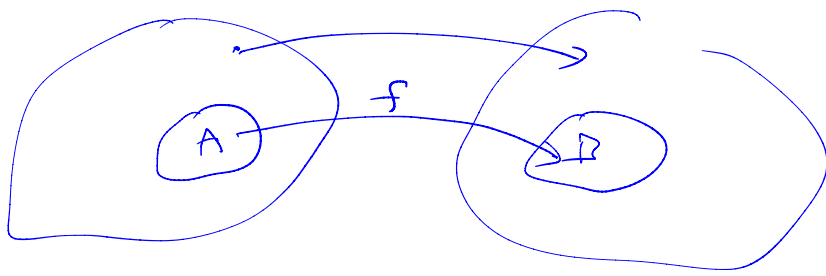
goal: map

$$\langle M, x \rangle \longmapsto \langle M', M'' \rangle$$

s.t. M accepts x

iff

$$\mathcal{L}(M') = \mathcal{L}(M'')$$

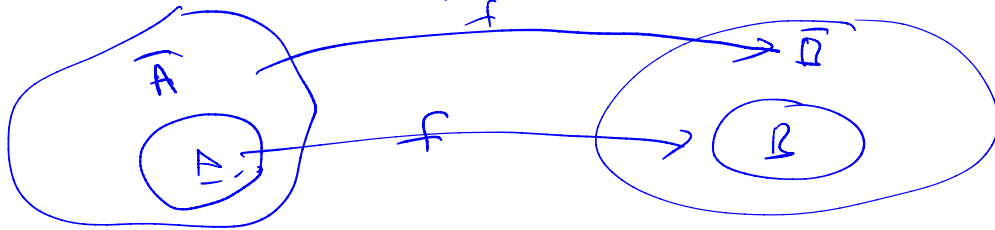


$$\bar{B} = \{Q\}$$

$$\bar{A} = \bar{A} / \bar{A}_M$$

Say we have f mapping reduction from A to B ,
 so f maps yes instances of A to yes instances of B
 and NO " " " " to NO instances of B .

Note the same f is a mapping reduction from \bar{A} to \bar{B}



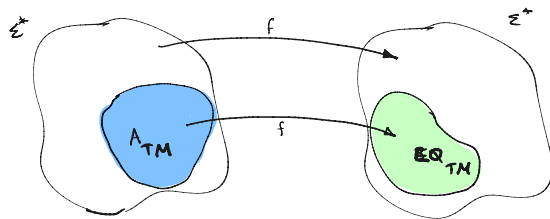
So using f it follows that if \bar{B} is r.e.,
 then \bar{A} is r.e.

\therefore by contrapositive, if \bar{A} is not r.e. then we will
 have shown that \bar{B} is not r.e.

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INCORRECT MAPPING REDUCTION:

f : On input $s = \langle M, w \rangle$

Construct M_2 : on input x
run M on w , accept x iff M accepts w

Let $f(s) = \langle M, M_2 \rangle$

incorrect since $\mathcal{L}(M_2)$ is either Σ^* or \emptyset

But we don't know anything about $\mathcal{L}(M)$. So could

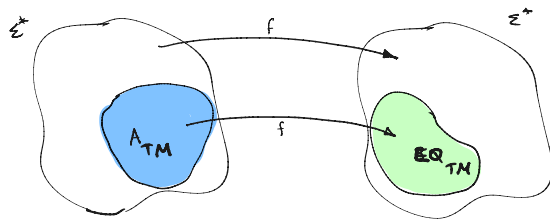
have M accepting w (so $\langle M, w \rangle \in A_{TM}$) but $\mathcal{L}(M) \neq \Sigma^*$

In this case f maps $\langle M, w \rangle \in A_{TM}$ to a pair $\langle M, M_2 \rangle \notin EQ_{TM}$

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Let M^{ALL} be a TM that accepts every input

f:

On input $s = \langle M, w \rangle$
 If s not of the correct form reject
 Else say $s = \langle M, w \rangle$
 Construct M_2 : on input x
run M on w , accept x iff M accepts w
 Let $f(s) = \langle M^{ALL}, M_2 \rangle$

$f: \langle M, w \rangle \longrightarrow \langle \underbrace{M'}_{M^{ALL}}, \underbrace{M''}_{M_2} \rangle$

This is correct
 since $\langle M, w \rangle \in A_{TM}$
 iff $f(\langle M, w \rangle) \in EQ_{TM}$

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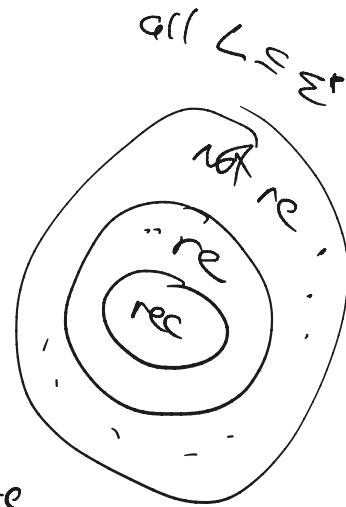
Tips for Characterizing a given Language
as (1) recursive; (2) recursive but not re; (3) Not r.e.

① Try obvious algorithms to see if you think L is recursive / r.e. (dovetailing technique useful to show r.e.)
Watch out for tricks -- if L defined based on some property of the machine (& not a property of L)

② To prove L is not r.e., sometimes helpful to look at \bar{L}
(If \bar{L} is r.e. but not recursive then L not r.e.)

③ get reduction in correct direction!

④ Sometimes in reduction, need to construct an intermediate TM that ignores its own input.



Nonempty is R.E :

$\text{Nonempty} = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ accepts at least one string} \}$

Assume $\Sigma = \{0,1\}$

Enumerate all strings over 0,1

$w_1, w_2, w_3, w_4, \dots$

TM for Nonempty :

On input $\langle M \rangle$:

For $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

For $j = 1, 2, \dots, i$

Run M on w_j for i steps

If M halts and accepts within these i steps
halt and accept

